

The Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, Dallas, Texas, is pleased to announce the selection of **Dr. Carlos A. Rincón** for the position of Director of our El Paso Border Office. Carlos brings a lot of technical as well as outreach experience to the position.

Dr. Rincon has a Ph.D. in Water Resources Engineering from Monterrey Institute for Higher Education (I.T.E.S.M. Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey) Monterrey, NL. México; a Master in Science in Use and Conservation of Soils and Water, also from Monterrey Institute for Higher Education; and a Bachelor Degree in Agriculture Engineering from Escuela Superior de Agricultura “Hermanos Escobar”, in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, México.

Since March of 1994 Carlos has been working for Environmental Defense as a Project Director in the El Paso office. He has worked with the “Paso del Norte” (PDN) Air Quality and Water Task Forces, which are a community Grass-root effort that encompasses stakeholders from all sectors of society in a binational scenario, that includes representatives from private sector, academia, government agencies and social organizations.

Before working for Environmental Defense, Carlos worked as a Scientist for crops production and soil /water conservation program at Mexico’s National Agriculture Ministry, National Institute for Forestry, Agriculture and Livestock, Research, known as INIFAP.

Carlos was also a visiting Professor for two agricultural schools in Mexico- Universidad Autonoma Agraria Antonio Narro in Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico and at Monterrey Tech (ITESM) in Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

Carlos has many awards and achievements to name; however, the most recent have been: “U.S. EPA and SEMARNAT recognition at the 32nd Joint Advisory Committee (JAC) for Air Quality Improvement in the Paso del Norte, in establishing a bi-national air quality Task Force.” Also he was appointed to the North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation Joint Public Advisory Committee; U.S.- Mexico Border Environmental Cooperation Commission (BECC) first ever conferred “Individual Environmental Merit Award;” and U.S.- Mexico Border Environmental Cooperation Commission’s first ever conferred project / program “Environmental Merit Award.”

Carlos has also authored several books and papers including the background and introduction chapter of a Southwest Centers for Environmental Research and Policy “Monograph for Particulates in the Paso del Norte Air-Shed April 2005;” Kathleen Staudt and Irasema Coronado, 2002, "Fronteras No Mas, Toward Social Justice at the U.S.- Mexico Border;” Keeter, Ronald G. Ph.D. "Paso del Norte Air Quality Task Force: A Case Study for the Paso del Norte Quality Task Force” under a Grant from The Ford Foundation; Rincón, Carlos and Peter Emerson. "Binationally Managing Air Quality in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands: A Case Study," Borderlines, Vol. 8, Number 1; among many others.

Carlos has a lovely wife Maria de Lourdes, and two sons - Carlos Eduardo, who is pursuing his Master Degree at Brown University, and Luis Felipe a Junior at Pepperdine University.

WELCOME CARLOS!